three years for the States of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh are as under:

	Madhya Pradesh (Rs. in crores)		Chhattisgarh	
Year	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
1999-2000	100.98	90.20	Nil	Nil
2000-2001	159.06	157.03	24.078	20.08
2001-2002	126.96	121.08	56.479	61.08

Due to initial delay in tendering and lower tender premium, the expenditure incurred is slightly less than the allocation.

Allocation under CRF to M.P. and Chhattisgarh

†5583. SHRI KAILASH JOSHI: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated to Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh under the Central Road Fund during the last three years and the details of amount utilized by March, 2002;

(b) whether such matters have come before Government where the amount has been used some-where else and if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any priorities and norms have been prescribed for selection of roads and whether they have been complied with, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of the roads constructed during the last three years; lengthwise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN.(RETD.) B.C.KHANDURI]: (a) The details of funds allocated and utlised under Central Road Fund during the last three years in the States of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh is as follows:

Madhya Pradesh *(Rs. in crores)*

Year	Accural	Value of Projects Sanctioned	Released	Utilisation
1999-2000	2.87	2.87	2.97	2.87
2000-2001	62.51	141.63	20.84	—
2001-2002	61.91	36.50	9.14	34.80

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Chhattisgarh

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Accural	Value of Projects Sanctioned	Released	Utilisation
1999-2000	—	—	—	—
2000-2001	23.03	64.68	7.68	7.68
2001-2002	22.56		15.36	29.77

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Ministry has approved projects for improvement of State Roads of 1041 kms and 581.50 Kms in the States of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh respectively during the last 3 years.

Ban on Writing Number Plates in Hindi

†5384. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Vahano par Hindi main likhit number platon par pratibandh" appearing in the "Rashtriya Sahara" dated the 23rd January, 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the said orders have been given as per directions of any court; and

(d) whether Government propose to order an enquiry into the reasons for imposing such ban on use of naitonal language?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Vehicles registered in State/UT can ply throughout the country. Since different States have their own languages, the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 provides that the letter of the registration mark shall be in

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